

# Henry Horton

## Sustainability Features

### Community Support

Prior to becoming a State Park in the early 1960's, Henry Horton State Park served as a working farm. In the spirit of living off the land, the park started a community garden project in the spring of 2012 to grow food to be used within the park itself and the surrounding Chapel Hill community. With the assistance of a Healthy Communities Grant, an area of the park was designated for the garden, was fenced off to keep the animals out, and the seeds were planted. By early summer, several types of vegetables were growing including corn, tomatoes, beans, peas, squash and peppers. Some of the vegetables were used in the park's restaurant while others were taken home by the active members of the garden group. Additionally, some of the vegetables were distributed to local community groups such as the First United Methodist Church Care Kitchen and the Chapel Hill Senior Citizens Center.

### Golf Course

The Buford Ellington Golf Course is one of ten courses that are part of the Tennessee Golf Trail. The course seamlessly combines the game of golf with the park's natural surroundings thanks to a sustainable approach to its management. The course is designated as

a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary and is also a Groundwater Guardian Green Site. These designations are awarded through the ongoing implementation of various sustainable practices including wildlife and habitat management, chemical use reduction and safety, water conservation, water quality management, and outreach and education.



## Park Highlights



- Visited by more than 340,000 people in 2011
- Horton has a professional multi-field skeet and trap range to include crazy quail and a five stand available to individuals, groups and gun clubs.
- The park is located on the shores of the historic Duck River, the longest stretch of free flowing river in Tennessee.

